

My name is Jack Quirion, I am 12 years old and live in Hebron, Connecticut. I ask that you amend Senate Bill 317 to make sure that teachers know how to teach reading to students with Dyslexia.

When I was in public school I went to special education for reading during 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th grades. My teachers tried to help me learn to read, but what they taught me I didn't understand. I tried really hard but it never turned out well, because they never taught me the way I learned. I didn't like going to special education classes for reading because I never felt that it was working.

I am now in 7th grade and have been at my new school since the middle of 5th grade. I travel over an hour to school because my new school has teachers who are trained to teach me the way I learn. I am very lucky to get a good education and learn how to read.

But, now we have the opportunity to help other kids. We can train our teachers in college to learn how to teach reading to dyslexic students. We can save other kids from feeling different or having to leave their school and all their friends.

This is my third time testifying and I really hope you continue to help Dyslexic students.